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BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, AND ANALYSIS OF MORTALITY

DURING THE YEAR 1942.

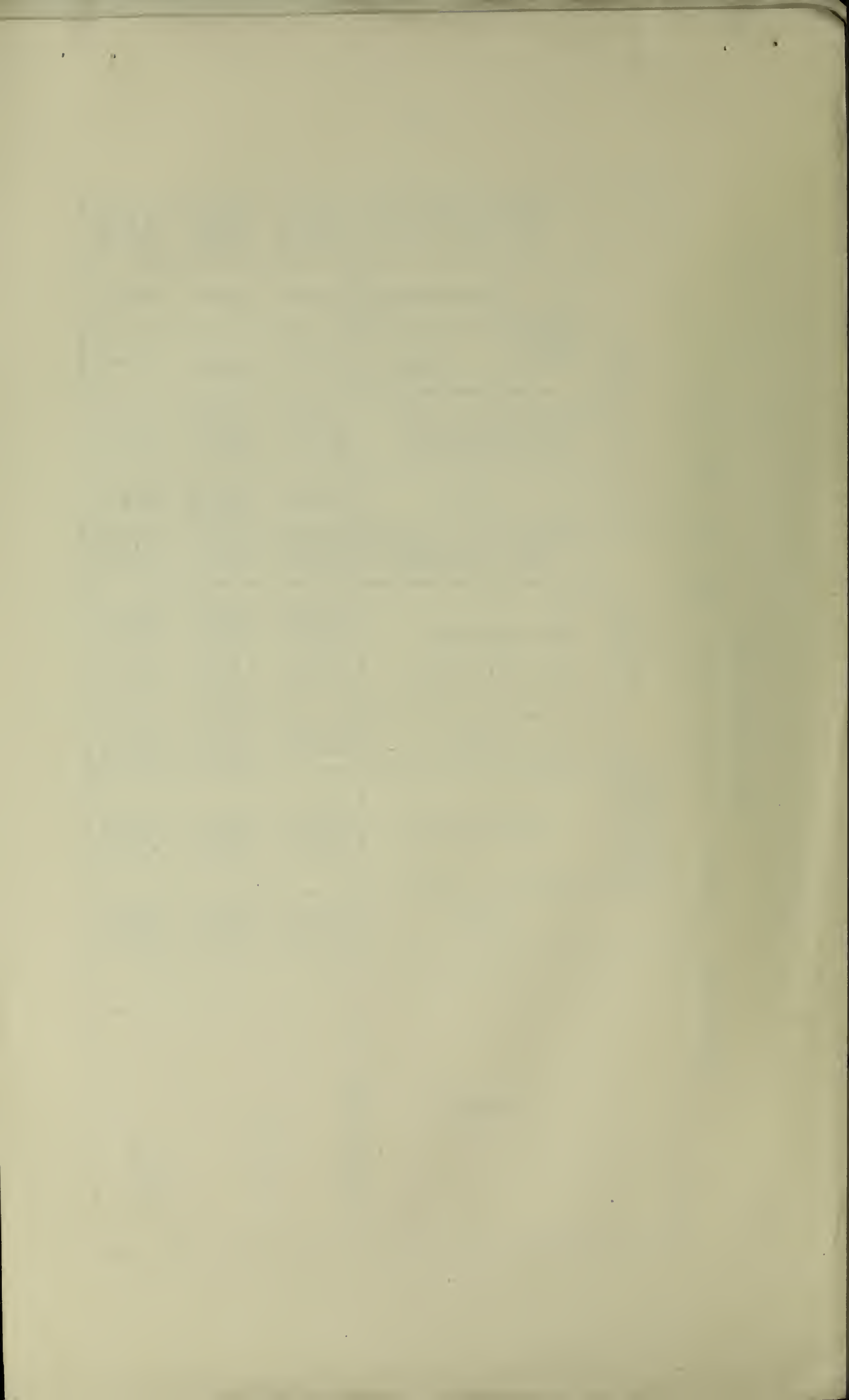
	RATE PER 1,000 TOTAL POPULATION.		Annual Death-rate per 1,000 Population.									Rate per 1,000 Live Births.	
	Live Births.	Still Births.	All Causes.	Typhoid and Para-typhoid fevers.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping Cough.	Diphtheria.	Influenza.	Violence.	Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	Total Deaths under 1 year.
England and Wales ..	15.8	0.54	11.6	0.00	-	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.05	0.09	-	5.2	49
126 County Boroughs and great towns, including London ..	17.3	0.66	13.3	0.00	-	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.06	0.09	-	7.5	59
148 Smaller Towns (Estimated Resident Populations 25,000 to 50,000 at Census 1931.) ..	18.4	0.62	12.1	0.00	-	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.04	0.10	-	4.8	46
London ..	14.0	0.48	13.9	0.00	-	0.01	0.00	0.04	0.02	0.07	-	8.6	60
Sheerness ..	18.6	0.61	12.9	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	-	0.0	29
Queenborough ..	22.7	0.36	7.7	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	16.1	32
Sheppey Rural District	22.6	0.72	10.6	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	0.0	51



VITAL STATISTICS.

QUEENBOROUGH, SHEERNES and SHEPPEY RURAL, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942.

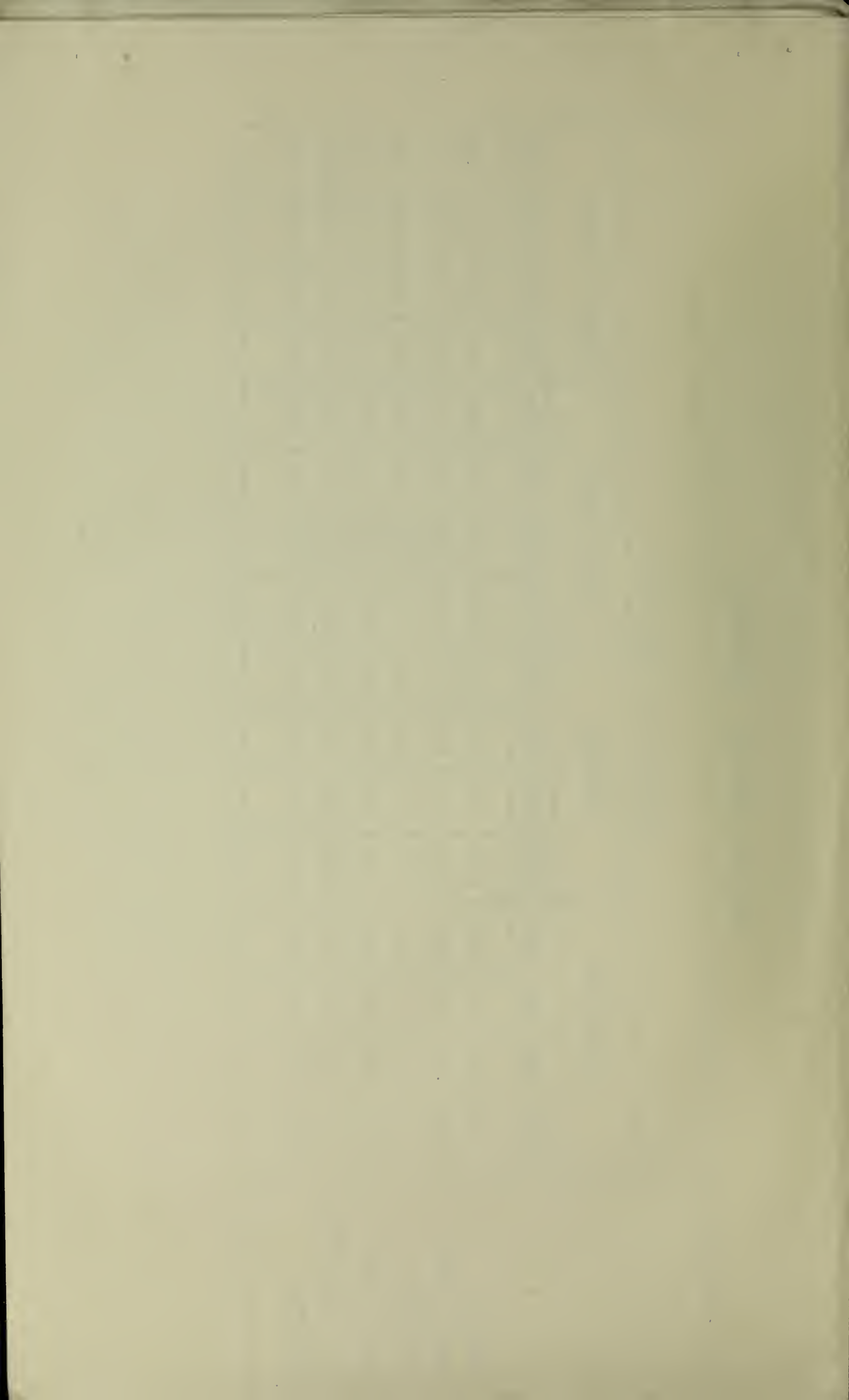
District.	Year.	Estimated Population.	Births.		Deaths.					
			Total.	Illegitimate and Rate per cent.	Birth-rate per 1,000 of population.	Total.	Death-rate per 1,000 of population.	Infant deaths under 1 year.		
								Total.	Illegitimate.	
Queenborough	1939	2,934	62	4 or 6.4%	21.1	30	12.1	1	15.9	Infant Mortality per 1,000 births.
	1940	2,836	51	0 or 0.0%	18.0	30	11.3	3	58.0	
	1941	2,769	54	2 or 5.9%	18.0	32	10.5	0	00.0	
	1942	2,731	62	3 or 4.8%	22.7	21	7.7	2	32.3	
Sheerness	1939	16,360	195	10 or 5.1%	11.9	189	12.1	14	71.0	
	1940	13,050	202	15 or 7.4%	15.5	193	14.3	11	59.0	
	1941	12,600	245	21 or 16.7%	19.3	173	13.3	12	48.0	
	1942	13,060	243	14 or 5.8%	18.6	168	12.9	7	28.8	
Sheppey Rural District	1939	9,188	137	2 or 1.4%	14.9	80	8.0	2	14.6	
	1940	7,051	132	8 or 6.6%	18.7	75	10.4	8	53.0	
	1941	6,722	146	10 or 6.8%	20.8	73	10.4	5	20.9	
	1942	6,969	158	12 or 7.6%	22.6	74	10.6	8	50.6	





INFECTIOUS DISEASES. CASE RATE.

Case Rate per 1,000 lives.												
	Queenborough.				Sheerness.				Sheppey Rural.			
	1939	1940	1941	1942	1939	1940	1941	1942	1939	1940	1941	1942
Smallpox	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Scarlet Fever	2.06	1.76	1.67	9.52	0.51	0.46	1.00	5.28	3.18	1.56	3.14	5.17
Diphtheria	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.02	0.61	0.38	0.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Enteric Fever	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Puerperal Pyrexia	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.13	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.45	0.00	0.00	0.14
Erysipelas	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.57	0.00	0.29
									0.34	0.33	0.48	12.61
												0.30





STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE SHEERNESS URBAN  
DISTRICT.

Area (acres) ... ..	961
Population estimated for 1942 by Registrar-General ...	13,060
Number of inhabited houses, 1942 ... ..	4,500
Rateable Value ... ..	£105,742
Sum represented by a Penny Rate ... ..	£430

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR.

Live Births.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population ...	18.6
Legitimate	229	124	105		
Illegitimate	14	5	9		
Total	243	129	114		

Still Births	8	4	4	Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	31.5
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Deaths	168	91	77	Corrected death rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population	12.9
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Deaths from Puerperal Causes. NIL.

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age:-

All infants per 1,000 live births ... ..	28.8
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	71.4
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births ...	26.2
Deaths from Measles (all ages) ... ..	0.0
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages) ... ..	0.0
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) ...	0.0

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES OF THE AREA.

Public Health Officers of the Local  
Authority.

Medical Officer of Health,  
Ante-Natal Clinic Officer, - H. S. Griffith, L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S.,  
Infant Welfare Officer. D.P.H. (Part-time.)

Sanitary Inspector. - W. J. Terrill, M.R.S.I., M.S.I.A.,  
and Meat & Food Certificate.

Health Visitor and Infant  
Welfare Superintendent. Miss F. G. Jones, S.R.N., S.C.M.

NOTIFICATION OF BIRTHS ACT.

Miss Jones has kindly supplied me with the following figures:-

Number of births notified:

Live births -	243	Still births -	8	Total -	251
By midwives -	226	By Doctors and parents -	25		

Number of visits paid by the Health Visitor:-

To expectant mothers:					
First visits	...	...	...	...	65
Total visits	...	...	...	...	88

To children under one year of age:					
First visits	...	...	...	...	238
Total visits	...	...	...	...	1,240



Visits paid by the Health Visitor (cont.)

To children between the ages of one and five years:-

Total Visits	...	...	...	...	2626
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FEEDING.

Breast-fed children	...	...	...	...	159
Artificially fed children	...	...	...	...	69
Breast and artificially fed children	...	...	...	...	42

FOODS ISSUED FREE.

Fresh Milk	...	...	...	...	-
Artificial Milk (dried)	...	...	...	...	16 lbs.

ATTENDANCES AT WELFARES.

By children under 1 year	...	...	...	...	4624
By children between 1 and 5 years	...	...	...	...	2176

Total number of children attending for the first time:-

Under 1 year of age	...	...	...	...	209
Between 1 and 5 years	...	...	...	...	42

Total number of children who were in attendance at the end of the year:-

Under 1 year of age	...	...	...	...	183
Between 1 and 5 years	...	...	...	...	425

ANTE-NATAL CLINICS.

An Ante-Natal Clinic is provided by the Council and the sessions are held at the Welfare Centre on every 2nd Thursday in the month.

Total number of attendances by expectant mothers	257
Total number of expectant mothers	89

INFANT LIFE PROTECTION.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936. (Sections 200-220.)

Homes for Foster-Children are registered by the Sheerness Urban District and are visited and supervised by the Health Visitor.

There are no Foster-Children on the Register.

MATERNAL MORTALITY

No cases of Maternal Mortality occurred during the year.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

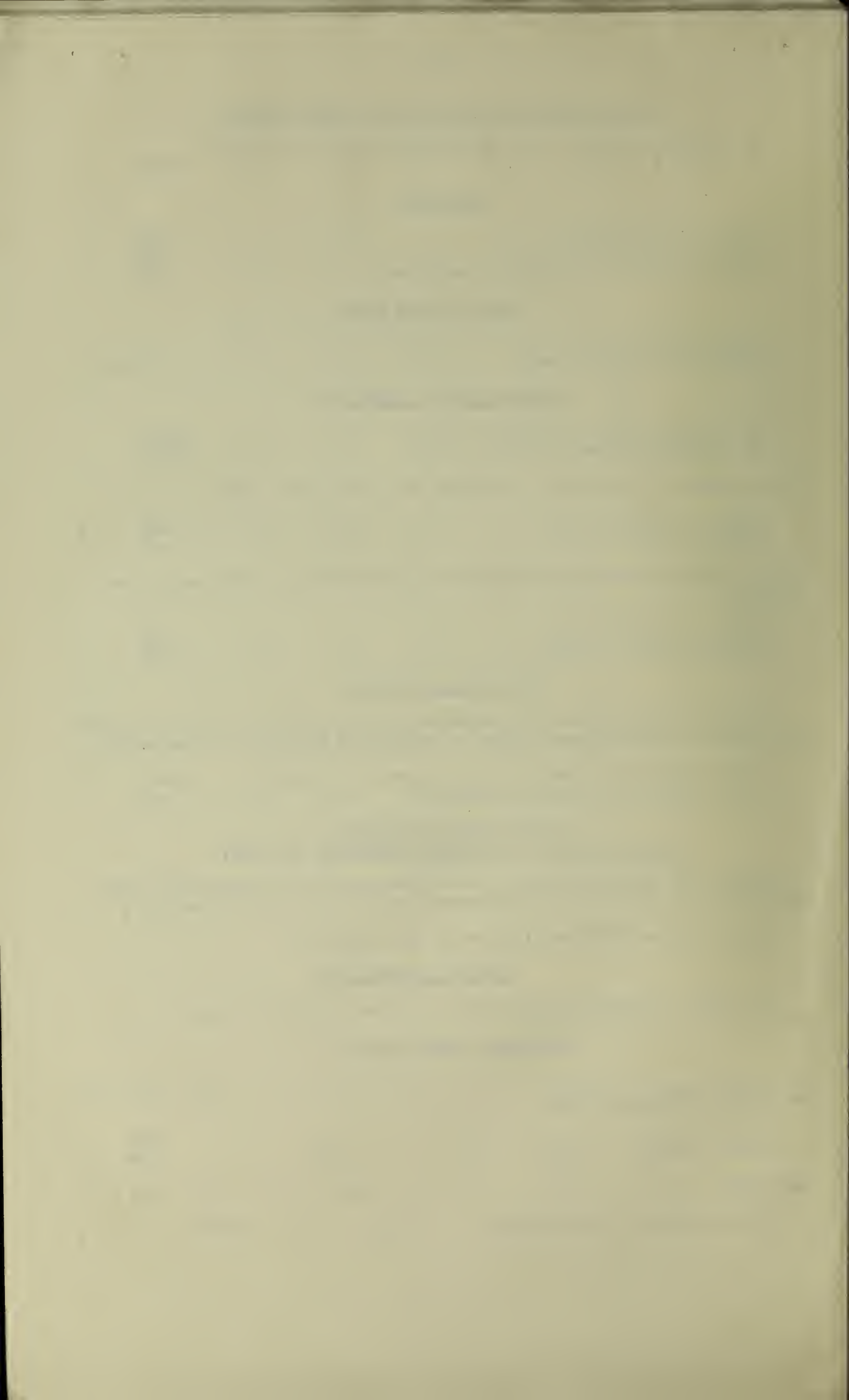
1st. Injection. 2nd. Injection.

At Infant Welfare Centre.

Under 5 years	...	...	276	240
Over 5 years	...	...	87	79

<u>Schools.</u>	...	...	...	145	62
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Total number of injections	...	...	899
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# VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1942.

Compared with 1941, 1940, 1939, 1938.

	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942
Death Rate per 1,000 of population .. ..	12.6	12.1	14.3	13.3	12.9
Infant Mortality per 1,000 births .. ..	74.3	71.0	59.0	48.0	28.8
Birth Rate per 1,000 of population .. ..	12.3	11.9	15.5	19.3	18.6
Total Infectious Diseases, excluding Measles and Consumption .. ..	36	39	35	74	105
Cases of Smallpox .. ..	0	0	0	0	0
Cases of Enteric Fever .. ..	1	0	1	1	1
Cases of Diphtheria .. ..	6	16	8	5	11
Cases of Scarlet Fever .. ..	7	8	6	13	69
Cases of Tuberculosis notified, all forms .. ..	10	12	14	5	8
Deaths from Tuberculosis .. ..	11	4	7	7	9
Cases of Malaria .. ..	0	0	1	0	0





SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

The following returns are obtained from the report given to me under the Sanitary Officers' Order, 1920:-

Number of visits of all kinds made by the Inspector 884.

Notices served:-

Statutory	...	...	...	0.
Informal	...	...	...	26.

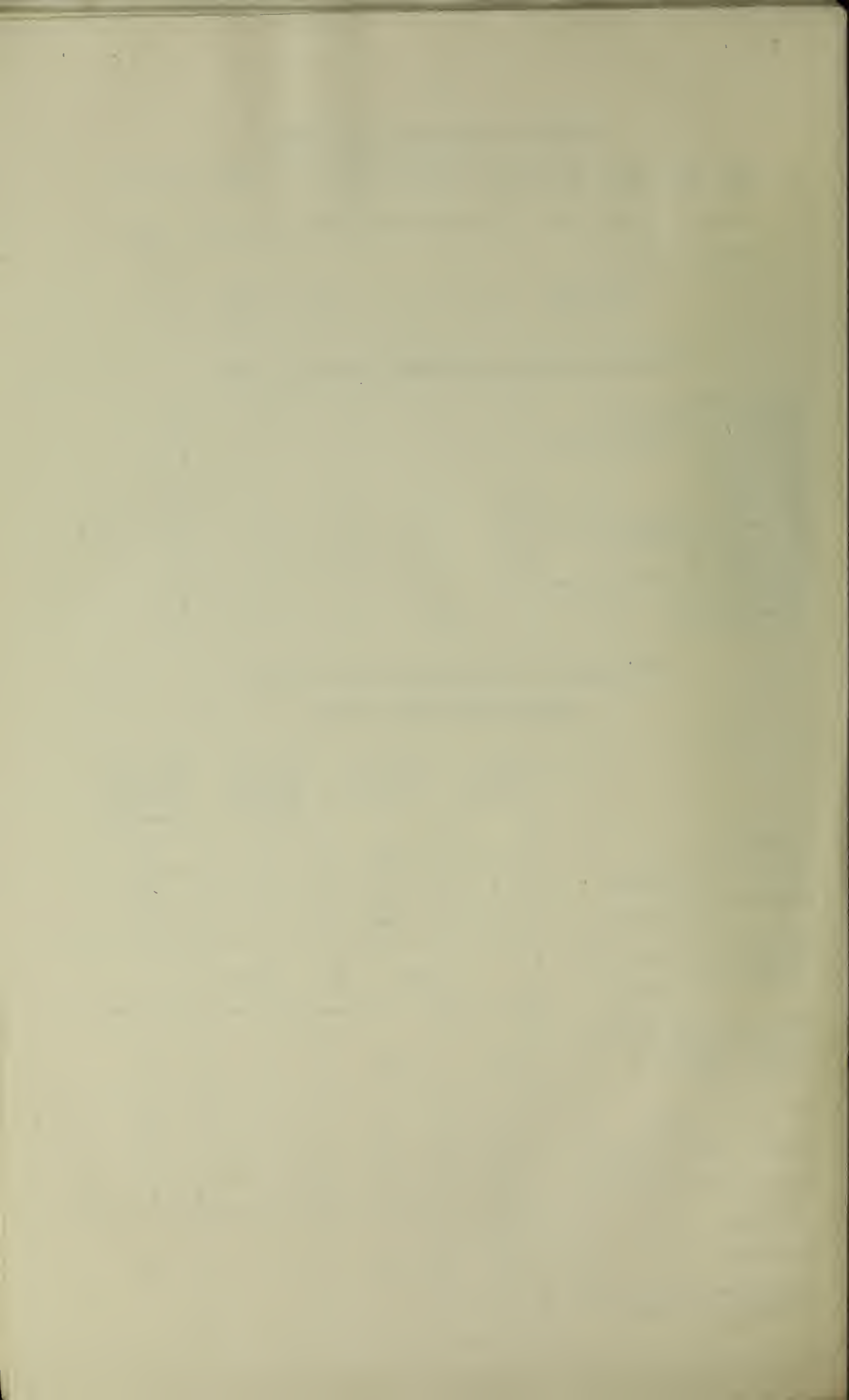
NUISANCES FOUND OR REPORTED DURING THE YEAR.

Overcrowding	...	...	...	...	1
Keeping of Animals	...	...	...	...	3
Sanitary Accommodation:-					
Defective	...	...	...	...	1
Drainage:-					
Repaired	...	...	...	...	1
Cleansed	...	...	...	...	13
Offensive accumulations	...	...	...	...	4
Refuse Receptacles	...	...	...	...	7
Dampness	...	...	...	...	3
Roofs & rain water pipes	...	...	...	...	7
Floors	...	...	...	...	2
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	2

PREMISES AND OCCUPATIONS CONTROLLED BY

BYE-LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

	No. in District.	No. of visits in 1943.	No. of faults & defects found.	No. of faults & defects remedied.
Warehouses .. ..	5	11	0	0
Dairies. } Producers.	1	7	1	0
	2	10	0	0
Slaughter houses } Registered.	Not in use.			
Other food-preparing places which are, as such, subject to inspection	31	340	3	3
Offensive Trades ..	0	0	0	0
Common lodging houses	0	0	0	0
Houses-let-in lodgings	0	0	0	0
Factories .. ..	9	11	1	1
Workshops .. ..	30			
Workplaces (other than outworkers' homes.)	5			



UN SOUND FOOD.

Approximately 24 cwts. of food has been condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption.

FOOD AND DRUGS (ADULTERATION) ACT, 1928.

AND FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938.

Samples under the above Acts have been taken by the Inspector of Weights and Measures, Mr. T. A. Breed, to whom I am indebted for the following returns.

A total of 64 samples were taken in 1942.

Rum	3	Margarine	1
Sago	1	New Milk	15
Whisky	3	Condensed Milk	1
Rice	1	Mustard	1
Boric Acid Ointment	1	Oatmeal	1
Camphorated Oil	1	Pepper	1
Castor Oil	1	Preserved Peas	1
Cod Liver Oil	2	Evaporated Milk	1
Crushed Linseed	1	Aspirin Tablets	3
Mercury Ointment	1	Tinct. Ammoniated Quinine	3
Gelatin	1	Magnesia Tablets	1
Orange Quinine	2	Fruit preserving tablets	1
Arrowroot	1	Custard powder	1
Brandy	1	Cinnamon	1
Cheese	2	Sweet Nitre	3
Coffee	2	Citric Acid	1
Flour	1	Flavouring Essences	2
Ground Ginger	1	Liquid Saccharin	1
Jam	1		





CAUSES OF AND AGES AT DEATH DURING THE YEAR 1942.

Causes of death.	Net deaths at the subjoined ages of "Residents" whether occurring within or without the District.									
	MALES.					FEMALES.				
	At all ages	Under 5 yrs	5-15 years	15-45 years	45 upwards	At all ages	Under 5 yrs	5-15 years	15-45 years	45 upwards
1. Typoid & parat: fevers .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Cerebro-spinal fever .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Scarlet Fever .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4. Whooping Cough .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Diphtheria .....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
6. Tuberculosis of the Respiratory System ..	6	0	0	4	2	3	0	0	3	0
7. Other tuberculosis diseases .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8. Syphilitic diseases .....	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
9. Influenza .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10. Measles .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11. Ac. polio-myel: and polio-enceph. ....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12. Ac. Inf. encephalitis .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13. Cancer of b: cav: & oesoph (M) uterus (F) ..	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
14. Cancer of stomach & duodenum ....	3	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	1
15. Cancer of breast .....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
16. Cancer of all other sites .....	8	0	0	2	6	7	0	0	0	7
17. Diabetes .....	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
18. Intra-cranial vascular lesions ..	14	0	0	0	14	9	0	0	0	9
19. Heart Disease .....	30	0	0	2	28	31	0	0	2	29
20. Other diseases of the circulatory system ..	3	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	1
21. Bronchitis .....	4	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	1
22. Pneumonia .....	2	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	2
23. Other respiratory diseases .....	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
24. Ulcer of stomach or duodenum ....	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
25. Diarrhoea (under 5 years) .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26. Appendicitis .....	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
27. Other digestive diseases .....	2	0	1	0	1	3	0	0	1	2
28. Nephritis .....	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
29. Puerperal & post-abortion sepsis ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30. Other maternal causes .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31. Premature birth .....	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
32. Con.mal. Birth injury, infant.dis. ....	1	1	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0
33. Suicide .....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
34. Road traffic accidents .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35. Other violent causes .....	3	1	0	1	1	2	1	0	1	0
36. All other causes .....	5	0	0	2	3	9	0	0	1	8
All causes ...	91	4	2	14	72	77	5	1	10	61



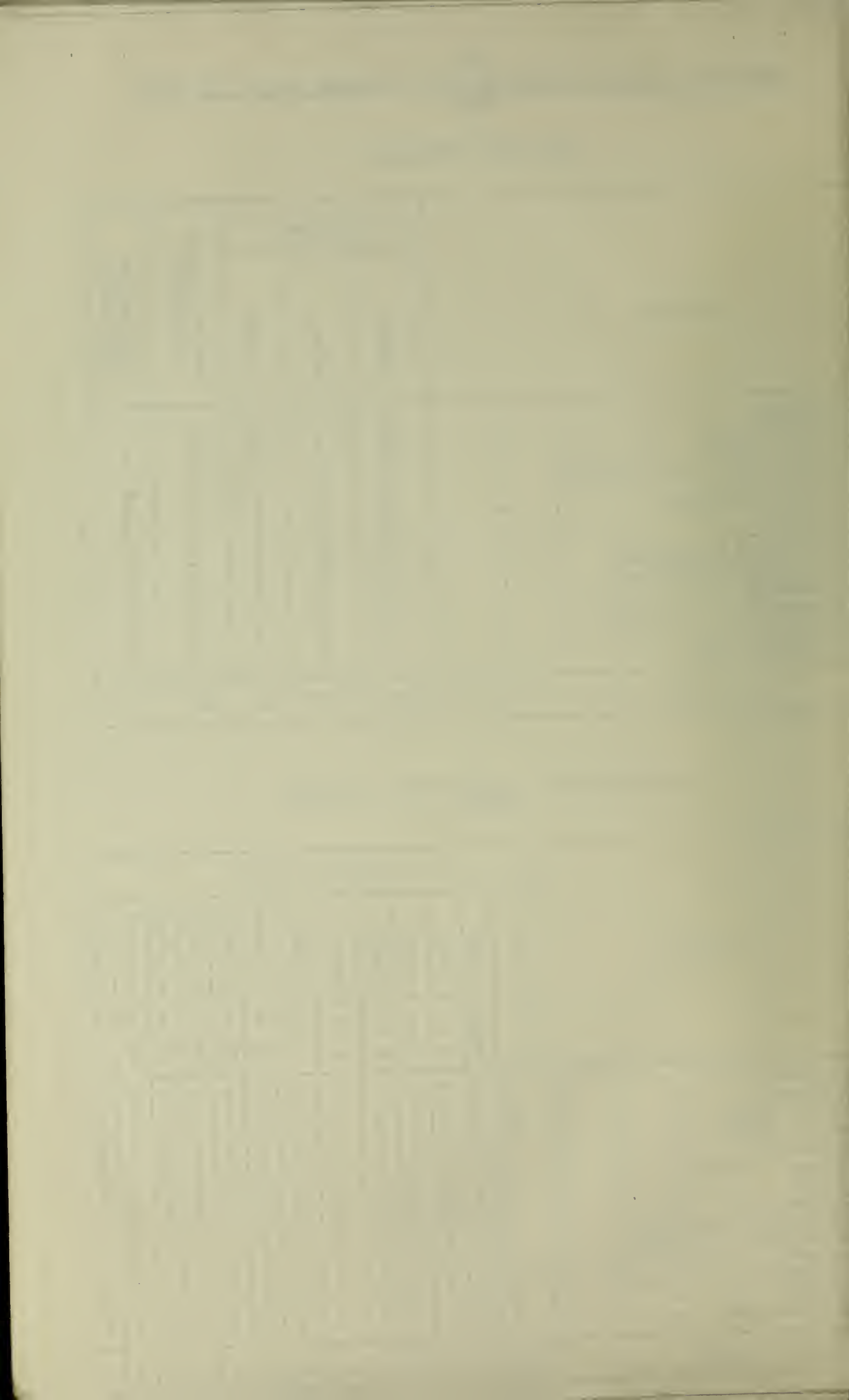
INFECTIOUS DISEASIS (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR  
1942.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Disease.	Notified.			Number Removed to Hospital.	Total Deaths Registered.
	Total.	Males.	Females.		
Smallpox .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Diphtheria .. .. .	11	3	8	11	1
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	69	32	37	53	0
Enteric Fever (Paratyphoid) .. .. .	1	0	1	0	0
Dysentery .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Malaria .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Erysipelas .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Encephalitis Lethargica .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Pneumonia .. .. .	12	6	6	0	0
Meningococcal Meningitis .. .. .	3	3	0	0	0
Measles .. .. .	5	1	4	0	0
Whooping Cough .. .. .	9	3	6	0	0
Totals .. .. .	110	48	62	69	1

AGE DISTRIBUTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES.  
1942.

Disease.	At ages - years.												
	At all ages.	Under 1 year	1 to 2 years	2 to 3 years	3 to 4 years	4 to 5 years	5 to 10 years	10 to 15 years	15 to 20 years	20 to 35 years	35 to 45 years	45 to 65 years	65 and upwards
Smallpox .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diphtheria .. .. .	11	0	0	0	1	1	4	2	1	2	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	69	0	2	5	3	9	44	6	0	0	0	0	0
Enteric Fever .. .. .	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Dysentery .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malaria .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Erysipelas .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Encephalitis Lethargica .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pneumonia .. .. .	12	1	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	5	0
Meningococcal Meningitis .. .. .	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Measles .. .. .	5	0	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whooping Cough .. .. .	9	0	1	0	0	0	7	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total .. .. .	110	1	7	6	6	11	59	9	1	4	1	5	0





PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS.

No action has been taken under Section 66 of the Public Health Act, 1925.

Ophth. Unit. Neonatorum.

Cases Notified	Cases Treated.		Vision Unimpaired.	Vision Impaired.	Total Blindness.	Deaths.
	At Home.	In Hospital.				
-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Tuberculosis, Pulmonary and Non-Pulmonary.

Age.	New Cases				Deaths.			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 to 5 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 to 15 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 to 25 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
25 to 35 years ..	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-
35 to 45 years ..	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	-
45 to 55 years ..	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
55 to 65 years ..	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
65 and upwards ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals ..	5	3	1	1	6	3	-	-

Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

Localisation of disease:-

Males.

1 Right Kidney and Bladder.

Females.

1 Right Kidney.





STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BOROUGH  
OF CUIENBOROUGH.

Land .. .. .	725 acres	
Area Water .. .. .	263 acres	1,441 acres
Foreshore .. .. .	455 acres	
Population estimated for 1942 by the Registrar-General	2,731	
Number of inhabited houses in 1942 .. .. .	795	
Rateable Value .. .. .	£14,907	
Sum represented by a Penny Rate .. .. .	£59 4s. 11d.	

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR.

Live Births.	Total.	Male.	Females.	Birth rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population .. .. .	
Legitimate	59	32	27		
Illegitimate	3	2	1		22.7
Total	62	34	28		
Still Births	1	0	1	Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	15.9
Deaths	21	14	7	Corrected death rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population	7.7

Deaths from puerperal causes:-

	Deaths.		
Puerperal Sepsis ..	0	Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	0
Other puerperal causes	0		
Total .. .. .	0		

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age:-

All infants per 1,000 live births .. .. .	32.3
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	51.0
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	0.0
Deaths from Measles (all ages) .. .. .	0.0
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages) .. .. .	0.0
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under two years of age) ..	1

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

<u>At Infant Welfare Centre, Shcerness.</u>	1st. Injection.	2nd. Injection.
Under 5 years	8	5
Over 5 years	17	6
Totals	25	11
Total number of injections	36.	



VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1942.

Compared with 1941, 1940, 1939, 1938.

	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942
Death Rate per 1,000 of population .. ..	11.3	12.1	11.3	10.6	7.7
Infant Mortality per 1,000 births .. ..	58.8	15.9	58.0	0.0	32.3
Birth Rate per 1,000 of population .. ..	17.5	21.1	18.0	18.0	22.7
Total Infectious Diseases, excluding Measles and Consumption.. ..	3	7	5	5	30
Cases of Smallpox .. ..	0	0	0	0	0
Cases of Enteric Fever .. ..	0	0	0	0	0
Cases of Diphtheria .. ..	0	0	0	0	0
Cases of Scarlet Fever .. ..	2	6	5	5	26
Cases of Tuberculosis notified, all forms .. ..	2	2	2	2	3
Deaths from Tuberculosis .. ..	0	2	1	2	1
Cases of Malaria.. ..	0	0	0	0	0





PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF.

Medical Officer of Health. - H. S. Griffith, L.R.C.P.,  
(Part-time.) M.R.C.S., D.P.H.

Sanitary Inspector (Jan.-Mar.) - J. W. Smith, M.I.M. & Cy.E.,  
A.R.S.I.

(Mar.-Dec.) - H. Small, M.I., Mun & Cy.E.,  
A.R.S.I.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE YEAR.

The following returns are obtained from the report given to me under the Sanitary Officers' Order, 1926:-

Number of visits of all kinds made by the Inspector 75

Notices served:-

Statutory	..	..	..	..	0
Informal	..	..	..	..	25

NUISANCES FOUND OR REPORTED DURING THE YEAR.

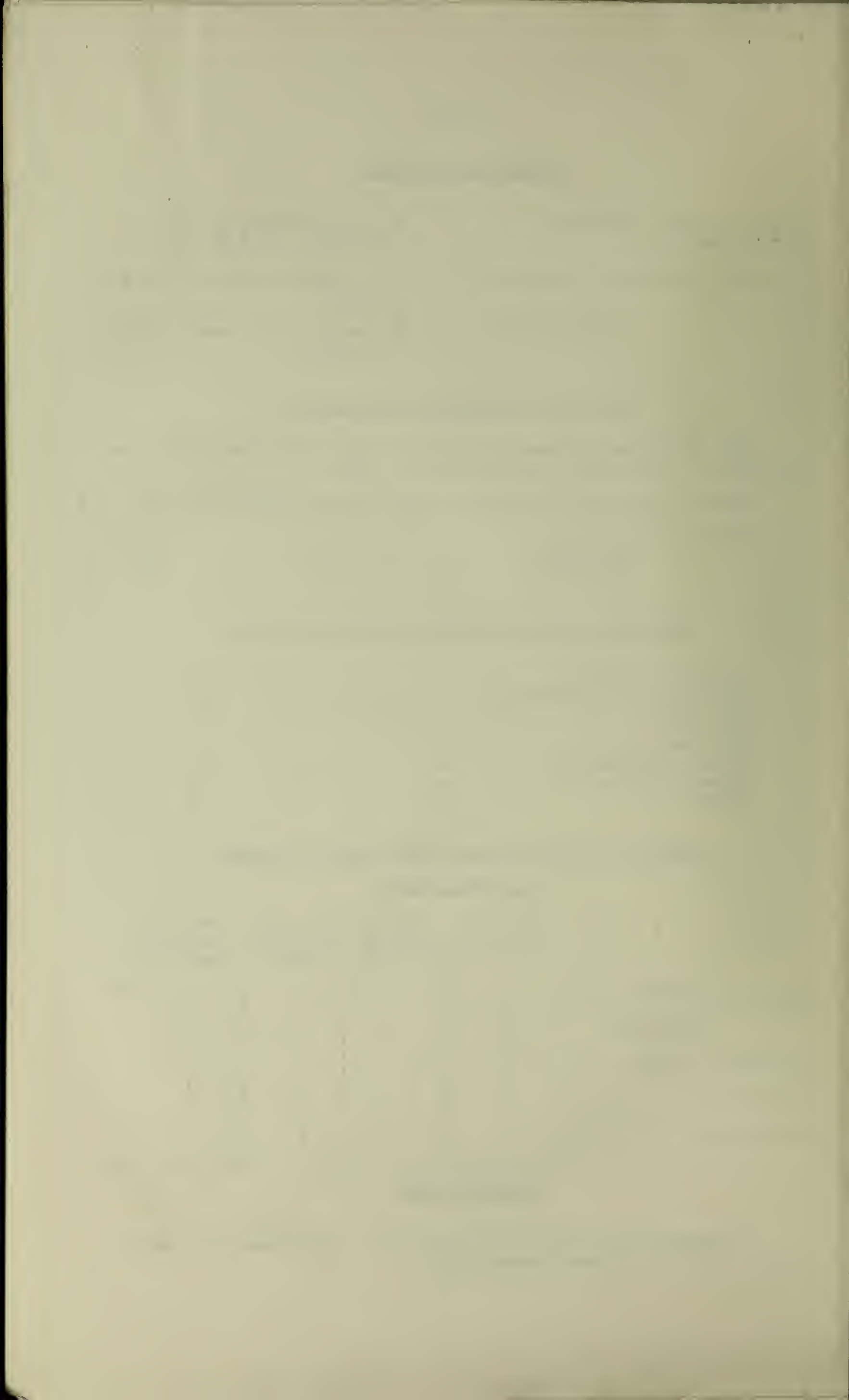
Keeping of Animals	..	..	..	..	2
Sanitary Accommodation:-					
Defective	..	..	..	..	12
Drainage:-					
Repaired	..	..	..	..	6
Refuse Receptacles	..	..	..	..	12
Smoke nuisances	..	..	..	..	2
Floors ..	..	..	..	..	5

PREMISES OR OCCUPATIONS CONTROLLED BY BYELAWS  
OR REGULATIONS.

	No. in District.	No. of visits in 1942.	No. of defects found.	No. of defects remedied.
Dairies. } Producers	0	0	0	0
} Retailers	1	0	0	0
Offensive Trades	1	12	0	0
Factories .. ..	4	6	0	0
Workshops .. ..	1	6	0	0

UN SOUND FOOD.

Approximately 45 lbs. of food has been condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption.



FOOD AND DRUGS (ADULTERATION) CT, 1938

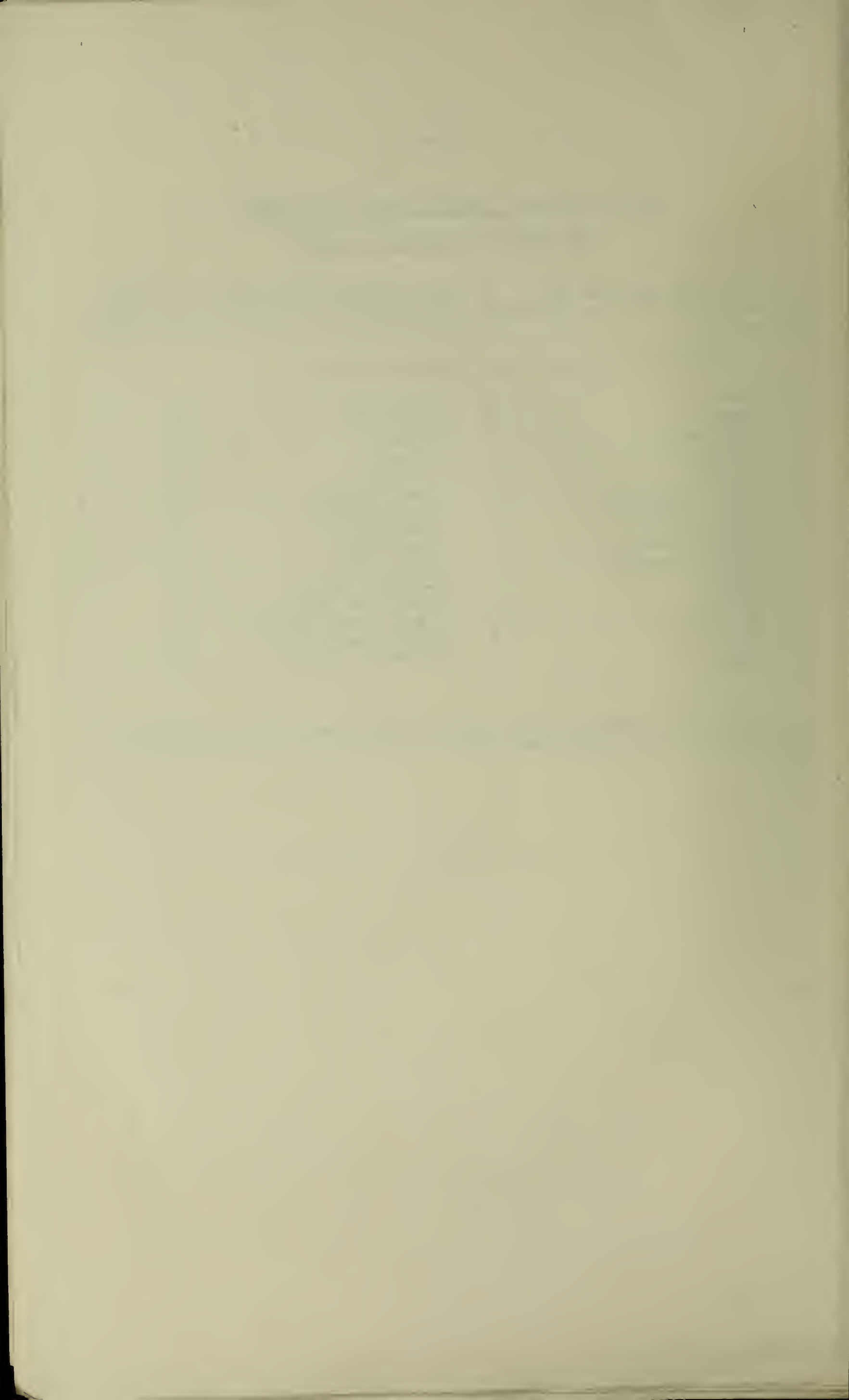
AND FOOD AND DRUGS CT, 1938.

I am indebted to Mr. W. R. Breed, County Inspector of Weights and Measures, for the following particulars of samples taken during the year:-

A total of 71 samples were taken in 1942.

Rum	1	Margarine	4
Sago	1	NE <sup>W</sup> MILK	23
Tapioca	1	Mustard	1
Vinegar	1	Pepper	2
Whisky	2	Pea Flour	1
Camphorated Oil	2	Bi-carb. Soda	1
Cod Liver Oil	1	Lemon Juice	1
Castor Oil	2	Semolina	1
Tinct. Iodine	1	Nerve Tonic	1
Baking Powder	2	Salad Oil	1
Butter	4	Eucalyptus Oil	1
Cocoa	2	Saccharin Liquid	2
Coffee	1	Almond Cake Flour	1
Flour	1	Orange Substitute	2
Gin	1	Boracic Crystals	2
Lard	4		

One milk producer (wholesale) has been cautioned in respect of samples of NE<sup>W</sup> MILK which proved on analysis to be deficient in fat.

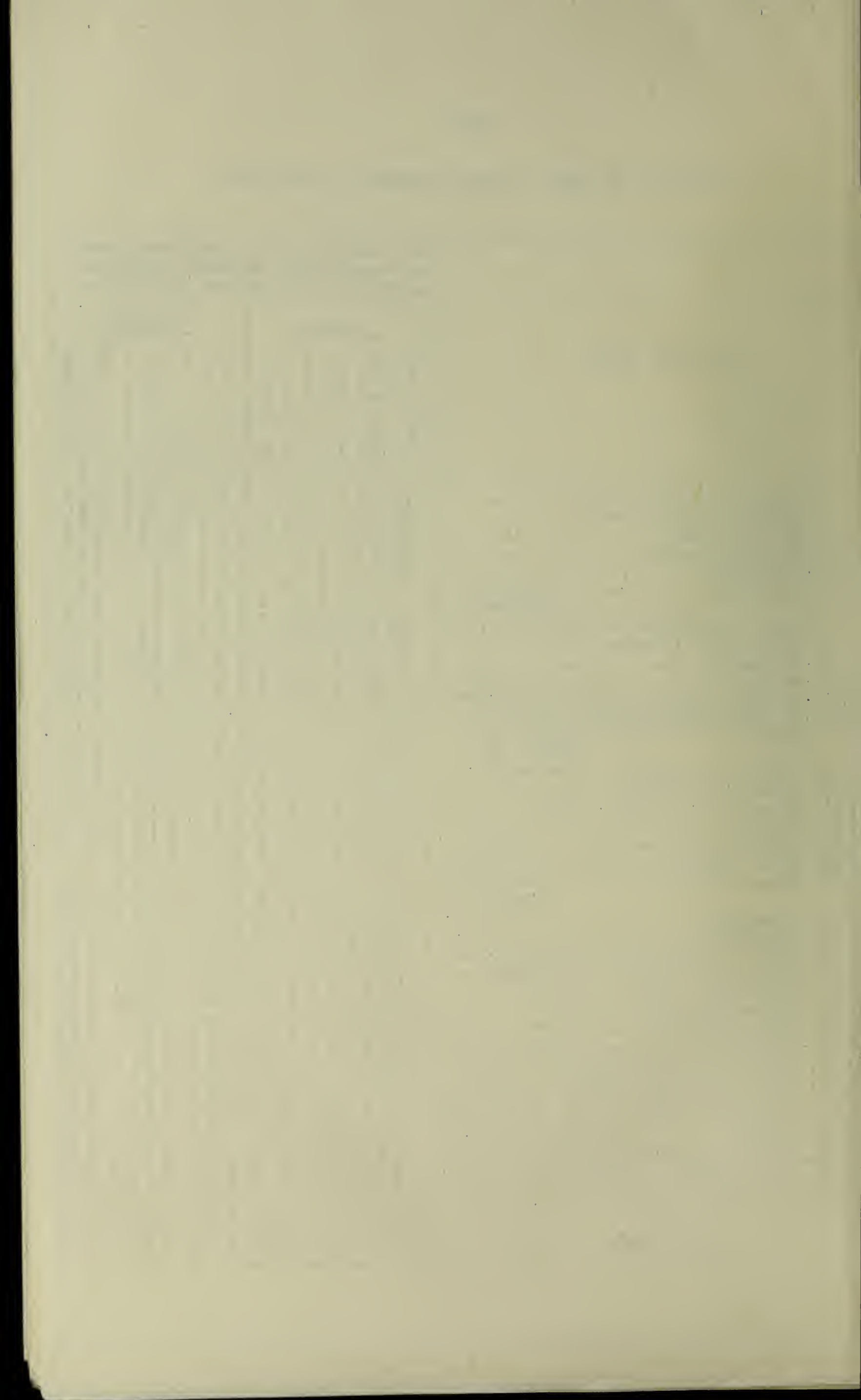




CAUSES OF AND AGES AT DEATH DURING THE YEAR 1943.

Causes of Death.	Net deaths at the subjoined ages of "Residents" whether occurring within or without the District.									
	MALES.					FEMALES.				
	At all ages	Under 5 yrs	5-15 years	15-45 years	45 upwards	At all ages	Under 5 yrs	5-15 years	15-45 years	45 upwards
1. Typhoid & parat: fevers .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Cerebro-spinal fever .....	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
3. Scarlet Fever .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4. Whooping Cough .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Diphtheria .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6. Tuberculosis of the Respiratory System ..	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
7. Other tuberculosis diseases ....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8. Syphilitic diseases .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9. Influenza .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10. Measles .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11. Ac. polio-myel: and polio-enceph	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12. Ac. Inf: encephalitis .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13. Cancer of b: cav: & oesoph (M) uterus (F) ..	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
14. Cancer of stomach & duodenum ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15. Cancer of breast .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16. Cancer of all other sites .....	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
17. Diabetes .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18. Intra-cranial vascular lesions ..	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
19. Heart Disease .....	5	0	0	0	5	3	0	0	0	3
20. Other diseases of the circulatory system ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21. Bronchitis .....	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
22. Pneumonia .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23. Other respiratory diseases ....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24. Ulcer of stomach or duodenum ...	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
25. Diarrhoea (under 2 years) .....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26. Appendicitis .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27. Other digestive diseases .....	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
28. Nephritis .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29. Puerperal & post-abortion sepsis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30. Other maternal causes .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31. Premature birth .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
32. Con.mal. Birth injury, infant.dis.	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
33. Suicide .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
34. Road traffic accidents .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35. Other violent causes .....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
36. All other causes .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All causes ...	14	2	1	0	11	7	0	0	0	7





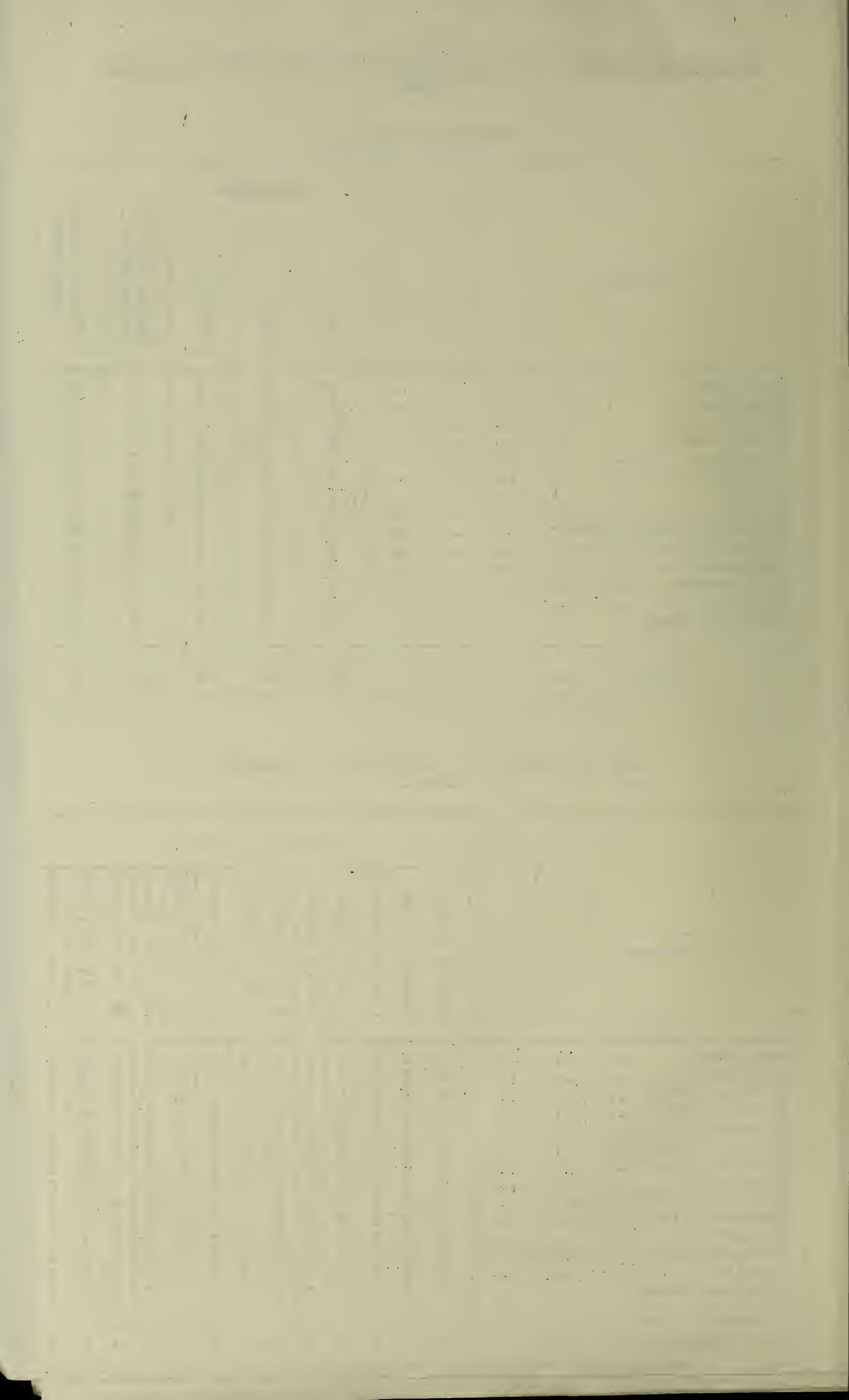
NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR  
1942.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Disease.	Notified..			Number Removed to Hospital.	Total Deaths Registered
	Total.	Males.	Females.		
Smallpox .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Diphtheria .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	26	14	12	25	0
Enteric Fever .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Dysentery .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Malaria .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Erysipelas .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Encephalitis Lethargica .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Pneumonia .. .. .	1	1	0	0	0
Meningococcal Meningitis .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Measles .. .. .	12	7	5	0	0
Whooping Cough .. .. .	3	1	2	0	0
Totals .. .. .	42	23	19	25	0

AGE DISTRIBUTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES.  
1942.

Disease.	At ages - years.												
	At all ages.	Under 1 year	1 to 2 years	2 to 3 years	3 to 4 years	4 to 5 years	5 to 10 years	10 to 15 years	15 to 20 years	20 to 35 years	35 to 45 years	45 to 65 years	65 and upwards
Smallpox .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diphtheria .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	26	1	1	1	2	2	10	2	0	1	0	0	0
Enteric Fever .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dysentery .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malaria .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Erysipelas .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Encephalitis Lethargica .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pneumonia .. .. .	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Meningococcal Meningitis .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Measles .. .. .	12	0	0	3	2	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whooping Cough .. .. .	3	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals .. .. .	42	1	3	4	4	5	21	2	0	1	0	1	0



PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS.

No action has been taken under Section 55 of the Public Health Act, 1925.

OPHTHALMIA NEONATORUM.

Cases Notified.	Cases Treated.		Vision Unimpaired.	Vision Impaired.	Total Blindness.	Deaths
	At Home	In Hospital.				
-	-	-	-	-	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS, PULMONARY AND NON-PULMONARY.

Age.	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 to 5 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 to 15 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 to 25 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 to 35 years ..	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 to 45 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 to 55 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 to 65 years ..	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
65 and upwards ..	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals ..	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	-

NON-PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS.

NIL.







STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE SHEPPEY

RURAL DISTRICT.

Area (Acres) .. .. .	19,949
Population estimated for 1942 by the Registrar-General ..	6,969
Number of inhabited houses, 1942 .. .. .	2,800
Rateable Value .. .. .	£51,549
Sum represented by a Penny Rate .. .. .	£200

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR.

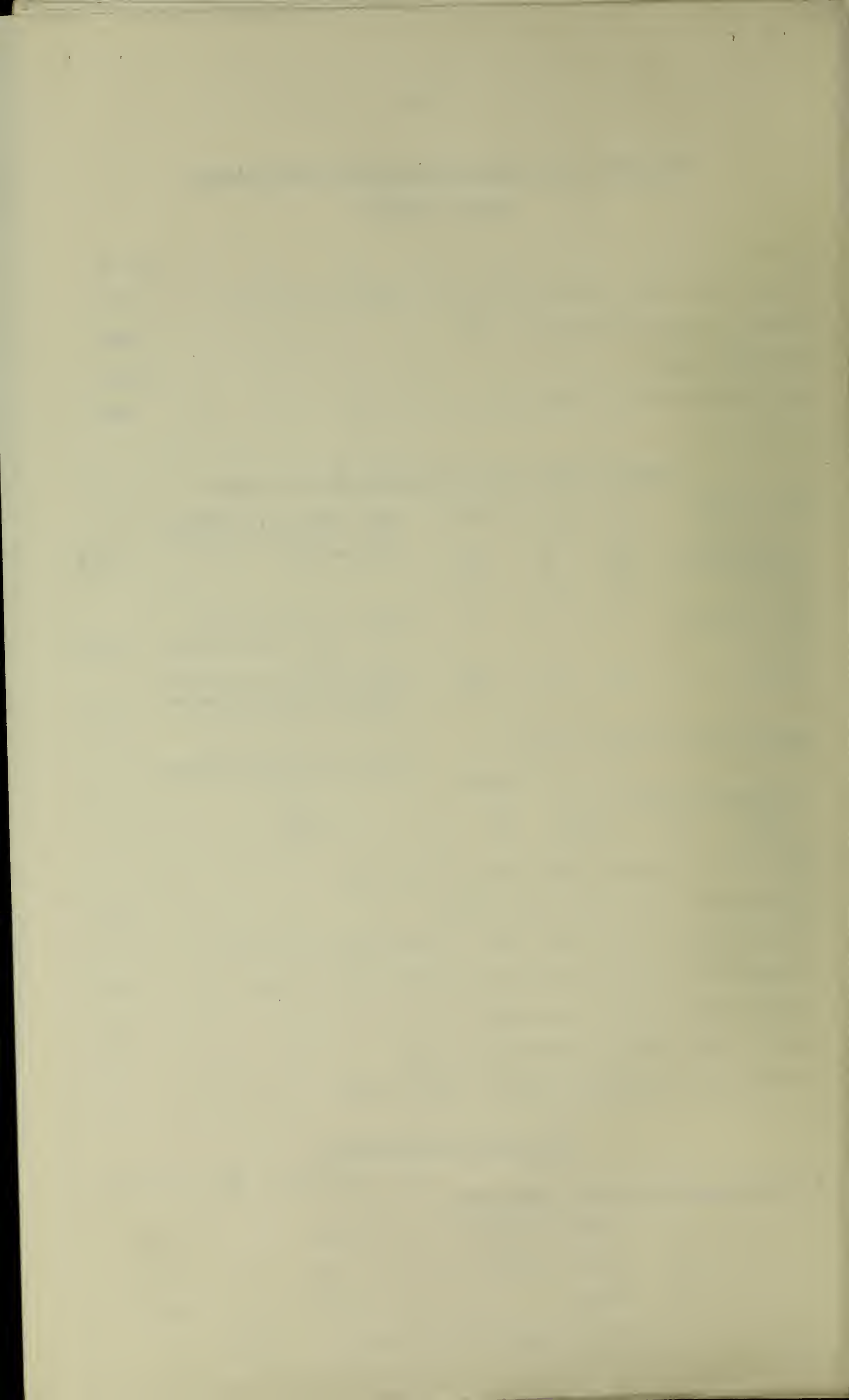
Live Births.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population ...	
Legitimate	146	75	71		22.6
Illegitimate	12	9	3		
Total	158	84	74		
Still Births	5	1	4	Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	30.67
Deaths	74	40	34	Corrected Death Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population	10.6
Deaths from puerperal causes:-				Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births.	
		Deaths.			
Puerperal sepsis ...		1		6.13	
Other puerperal causes		0		0.0	
Total ...		1		6.13	

Death Rate of infants under one year of age:-

All infants per 1,000 live births ... .. .	50.6
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	0.0
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births ...	54.9
Deaths from Measles (all ages) ... .. .	0.0
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages) ... .. .	0.0
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) ... .. .	0.0

DIPHTHERIA I. MUNISATION.

<u>At Infant Welfare Centre, Sheerness.</u>	1st. Injection.	2nd. Injection.
Under 5 years	114	98
Over 5 years	42	45
Total	156	143
Total number of injections	299	



VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1942.  
Compared with 1941, 1940, 1939, 1938.

	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942
Death Rate per 1,000 of population .. ..	8.2	8.0	10.4	10.4	10.6
Infant Mortality per 1,000 births .. ..	22.2	14.6	53.0	21.0	50.6
Birth Rate per 1,000 of population .. ..	15.1	14.6	53.0	21.0	50.3
Total Infectious Diseases, excluding Measles and Con- sumption.. ..	44	43	27	31	59
Cases of Smallpox .. ..	0	0	0	0	0
Cases of Enteric Fever .. ..	0	0	0	0	0
Cases of Diphtheria .. ..	7	0	0	0	0
Cases of Scarlet Fever .. ..	32	28	11	22	36
Cases of Tuberculosis notified, all forms .. ..	5	7	2	6	2
Deaths from Tuberculosis .. ..	1	4	4	3	2
Cases of Malaria.. ..	0	0	0	0	0



PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF.

Medical Officer of Health. (Part-time.)	-	H. S. Griffith, L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., D.P.H.
Sanitary Inspector.	-	E. F. Brading, A.R.S.I., M.Inst.M. & Cy.E., M.S.I.A.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

The following returns are obtained from the report given to me under the Sanitary Officer's Order, 1920:-

Number of visits of all kinds made by the Inspector	448
Notices served:-	
Statutory	0
Informal	141

NUISANCES FOUND OR REPORTED DURING THE YEAR.

Keeping of Animals	..	..	..	..	2
Sanitary Accommodation:-					
Defective	..	..	..	..	2
Drainage:-					
Cleansed	..	..	..	..	70
Offensive accumulations	..	..	..	..	1
Refuse Receptacles	..	..	..	..	4
Cesspools:-					
Abolished	..	..	..	..	1
Baths, lavatory basins, and sinks	..	..	..	..	5
Tents, vans and sheds	..	..	..	..	2
Floors	..	..	..	..	3
Water supplies	..	..	..	..	36
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..	1

PREMISES OR OCCUPATIONS CONTROLLED BY BYELAWS  
OR REGULATIONS.

	No. in District.	No. of visits in 1942.	No. of defects found.	No. of defects remedied.
Bakehouses .. ..	1	1	0	0
Dairies. } Producers.	17	20	0	0
	8	20	0	0
Factories .. ..	8	0	0	0
Workshops .. ..	27	0	0	0

UNSOOUND FOOD.

Approximately 232 lbs. of food has been condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption.





FOOD AND DRUGS (ADULTERATION) ACT, 1928

AND FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938.

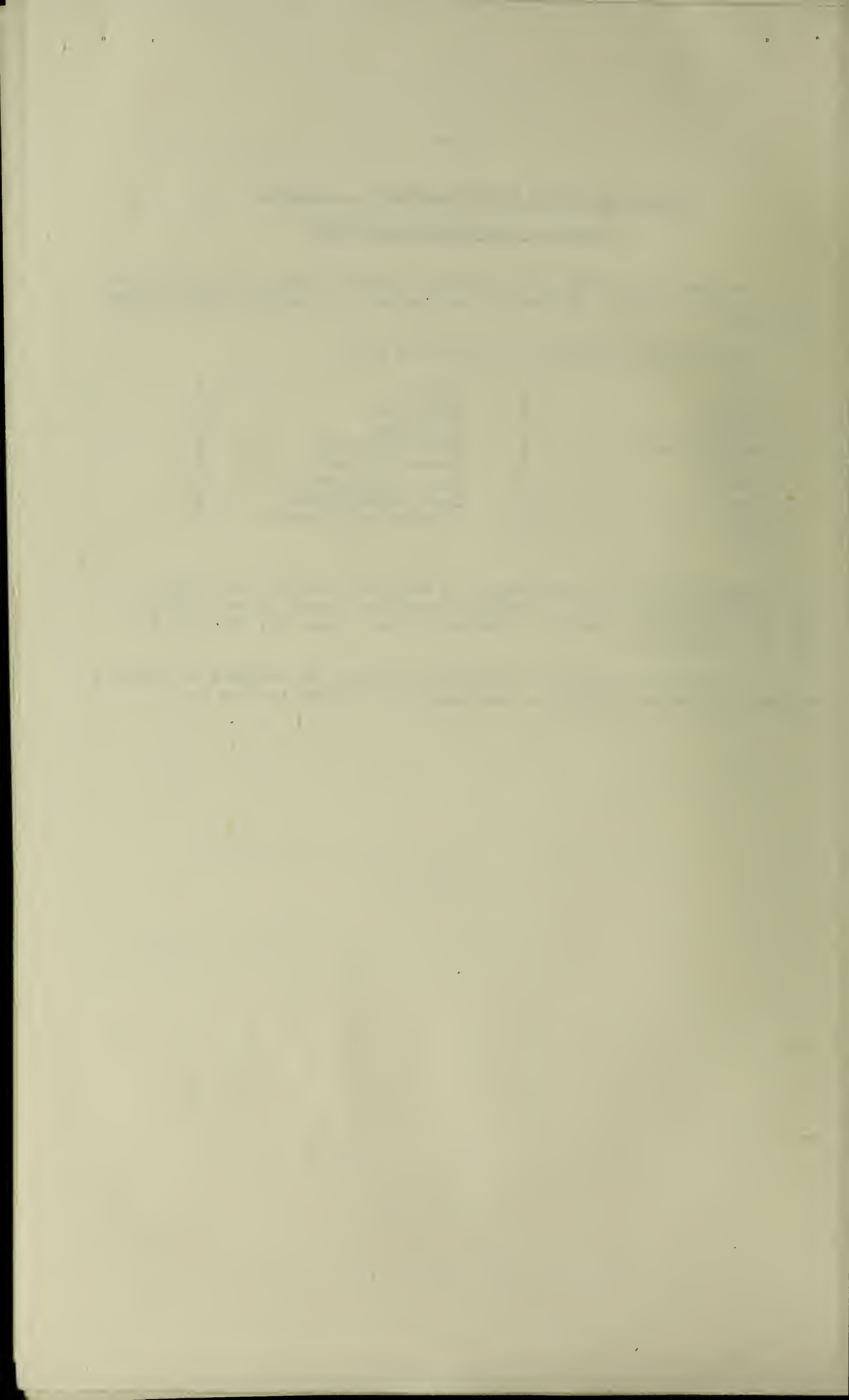
I am indebted to Mr. T. R. Breed, County Inspector of Weights and Measures, for the following particulars of samples taken during the year:-

A total of 95 samples was taken in 1942.

Hum	1	Lard	1
Whisky	2	Margarine	2
Sausage	1	NEW MILK	68
Baking Powder	1	Egg Substitute	3
Brandy	1	Custard Powder	1
Butter	3	Onion Flavouring	2
Cocoa	1	Lemon Substitute	2
Coffee	2	Flavouring Essences	3
Gin	1		

Proceedings were instituted in connection with one sample of NEW MILK purchased from a producer-retailer found on analysis to contain 11.6% added water. Defendant was fined £2. 2s. 0d. with 21. 1s. 0d. costs.

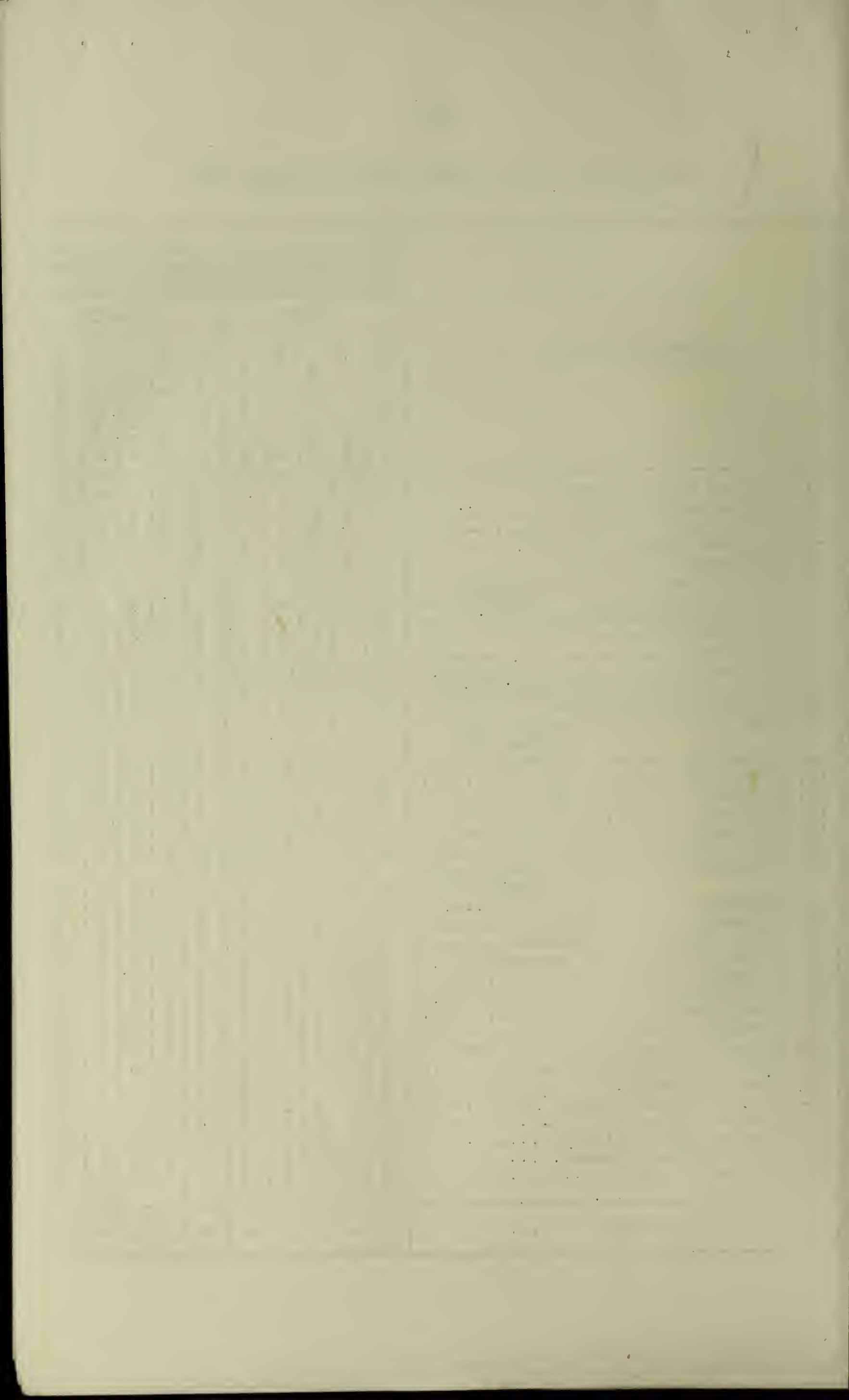
One producer-retailer has been cautioned in respect of samples of NEW MILK which proved on analysis to be deficient in fat.



CAUSES OF AND AGES AT DEATH DURING THE YEAR 1942.

Causes of death.	Net of the at the unjoined ages of "Residents" whether occurring within or without the District.									
	MALES					FEMALES				
	At all ages	Under 5 yrs	5-15 years	15-45 years	45 upwards	At all ages	Under 5 yrs	5-15 years	15-45 years	45 upwards
1. Typhoid & parat: fevers .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Cerebro-spinal fever .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Scarlet Fever .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4. Whooping Cough .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Diphtheria .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6. Tuberculosis of the Respiratory System ...	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
7. Other tuberculosis diseases .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8. Syphilitic diseases .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9. Influenza .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10. Measles .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11. Ac. polio-myel: and polio-enceph..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12. Ac. Inf: encephalitis .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13. Cancer of b: cav: & oesoph (M) uterus (F) ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14. Cancer of stomach & duodenum .....	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
15. Cancer of breast .....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
16. Cancer of all other sites .....	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4
17. Diabetes .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18. Intra-cranial vascular lesions ...	2	0	0	0	2	6	0	0	1	5
19. Heart Disease .....	14	0	0	1	13	10	0	0	0	10
20. Other diseases of the circulatory system ....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21. Bronchitis .....	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
22. Pneumonia .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23. Other respiratory diseases .....	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
24. Ulcer of stomach or duodenum .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25. Diarrhoea (under 2 years) .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26. Appendicitis .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27. Other digestive diseases .....	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
28. Nephritis .....	3	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	2
29. Puerperal & post-abortive sepsis .	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
30. Other maternal causes .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31. Premature birth .....	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
32. Con.mal. Birth injury, infant.dis.	3	5	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0
33. Suicide .....	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
34. Road traffic accidents .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35. Other violent causes .....	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
36. All other causes .....	6	0	0	1	5	4	1	0	0	3
All causes ....	40	4	1	5	30	34	4	0	2	28







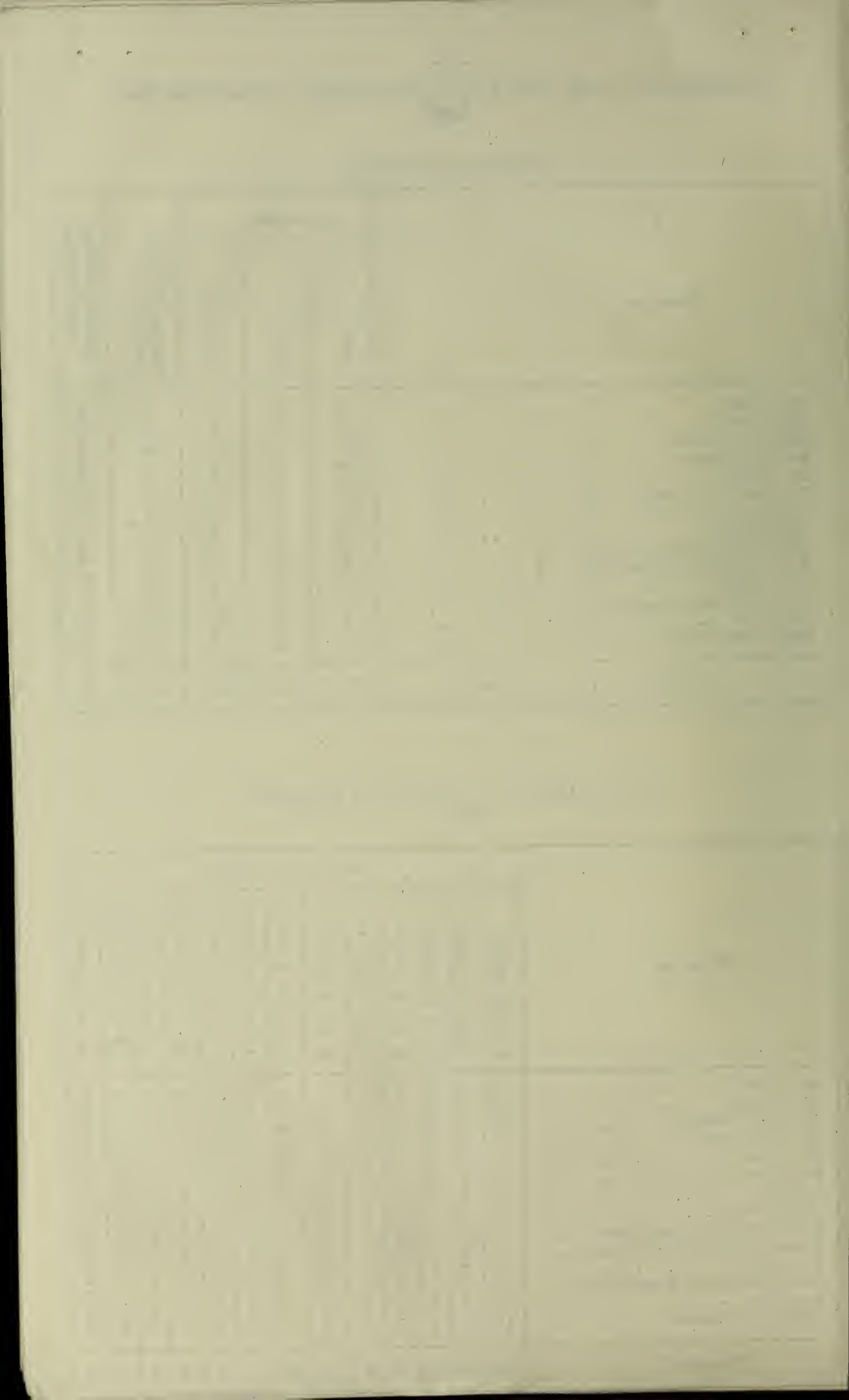
NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR  
1942.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Disease.	Notified.			Number Removed to Hospital.	Total Deaths registered.
	Total	Males	Females		
Smallpox .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Diphtheria .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	36	12	24	32	0
Enteric Fever .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Dysentery .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia .. .. .	1	0	1	0	1
Malaria .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Erysipelas .. .. .	2	1	1	0	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Encephalitis Lethargica .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0
Pneumonia .. .. .	3	0	3	0	1
Meningococcal Meningitis .. .. .	1	1	0	0	0
Measles .. .. .	7	1	6	0	0
Whooping Cough .. .. .	10	9	7	0	0
Totals .. .. .	60	24	42	32	2

AGE DISTRIBUTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES.  
1942.

Disease.	At ages - years.												
	At all ages.	Under 1 year.	1 to 2 years.	2 to 3 years.	3 to 4 years.	4 to 5 years.	5 to 10 years.	10 to 15 years.	15 to 20 years.	20 to 35 years.	35 to 45 years.	45 to 65 years.	65 and upwards.
Smallpox .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diphtheria .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	36	1	0	2	3	8	16	3	0	1	0	0	0
Enteric Fever .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dysentery .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia .. .. .	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Malaria .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Erysipelas .. .. .	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Encephalitis Lethargica .. .. .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pneumonia .. .. .	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
Meningococcal Meningitis .. .. .	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Measles .. .. .	7	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whooping Cough .. .. .	10	1	2	3	1	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals .. .. .	60	2	2	5	6	12	29	4	0	3	1	1	1



PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS.

No action has been taken under Section 30 of the Public Health Act, 1925.

OPHTHALMIA NEONATORUM.

Cases Notified.	Cases Treated.		Vision Unimpaired.	Vision Impaired.	Total Blindness.	Deaths
	At Home	In Hospital.				
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TUBERCULOSIS, PULMONARY AND NON-PULMONARY.

Age.	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 to 5 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 to 15 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 to 25 years ..	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
25 to 35 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 to 45 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 to 55 years ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 to 65 years ..	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-
65 and upwards ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals ..	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-

NON-PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS.

Localisation of disease:-

Males.

2 Neck Glands.

Females.

Nil.





